

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 470 without my signature.

This bill would require the California Integrated Waste Management Board (Board) to convene a working group to develop regulations relating to the emergency disposal of animal carcasses during a State of Emergency.

This bill is redundant to current efforts being undertaken by the Board and the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA). For instance, the Board recently adopted emergency regulations regarding this issue. In addition, the Board and CDFA are convening a working group to identify and rectify issues within the state's current animal disposal structure. As such, this bill is unnecessary.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger